(c) According to the IIAS, Shimla, the Institute selects its fellows from all over the country, and holds its seminars in different regions of the country.

Educational Institutions owned by Minority Community

2007. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are many educational institutions owned by minority community in various States;

(b) if so, the details including the number of such institutions and professional education institutions, State-wise, category-wise as on date;

(c) the details and number of such institutions and professional educations that are having "Minority Status", State-wise, category-wise as on date; and

(d) the details of legislation to confer "Minority Status" to an educational institution and professional education as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No information on minority educational institutions in States is maintained centrally.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Publishing of photographs of voters in voters' list

†2008. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Election Commission of India is contemplating on publishing photos of voters in voters' list to keep a check on bogus voting; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Election Commission of India has informed that a pilot project was undertaken in Kerala and Haryana for photo electoral rolls and the results were encouraging. Thereafter, during revision of 2005

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

electoral rolls of 1 constituency each of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab; 2 constituencies of Haryana; all the 30 constituencies of Pondicherry and all the 140 constitutencies of Kerala were published with photographs of electors. The scheme is being gradually extended in other parts of the country. During the 2006 revision of electroral rolls it has been extended to 5 more constituencies of Himachal Pradesh, 14 constituencies of Gujarat, remaining 88 constituencies of Haryana, 52 constituencies of Rajasthan and 46 constituencies of West Bengal.

Bench of Gauhati High Court

2009. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is pressing demand for setting up another Bench of the Gauhati High Court of separate High Court in North Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) Government's decision to set up such a Bench?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) to (c) The Governments of Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura have been requesting for setting up of separate High Courts for their States. However, the workload of the Benches in the North Eastern States do not justify setting up of separate High Courts.

Computerisation of District Courts in Delhi

2010. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
Ms. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to computerise district courts in Delhi to bring more transparency and efficiency;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the project would be funded by the Centre;

(d) whether government also propose to fund similar projects in other backward states such as Orissa, Bihar, M.P. etc; and